

The West Purbeck Benefice Prayer

Holy God we thank you that you have called us to be your people across the West Purbeck Benefice.

We praise you for the beauty that surrounds us,
the people who make up our communities,
the visitors whom we welcome

and above all for the gift of faith you have given to us.

Help us through prayer and worship to grow closer to you,

through service and care to reflect your love,

and through mission to share your Good News with all around us.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The West Purbeck Benefice

Sunday 21st September 2025

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

SUNDAY 21st September - 14th Sunday after Trinity MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

9am	Holy Communion	Bere Regis
9am	BCP Holy Communion	Wool
10.45am	Prayer and Praise online	Streamed
Zoom link:	https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5152255413 Meeting ID: 515 225 5413	
11am	Holy Communion	Affpuddle
11am	Harvest Festival	Winfrith

Next Sunday 28th September - 15th Sunday after Trinity

9am	BCP Holy Communion	Affpuddle
9am	Holy Communion - Sea Sunday Harvest of the Sea	(Fishermen's Yard, Lulworth Cove)
10.30am	Holy Communion - Harvest	Wool
11am	Holy Communion	Bere Regis
11am	Holy Communion	Winfrith

NEXT MIDWEEK SERVICE - 1st October

10.30am	Holy Communion	d'Urberville Hall, Wool
12 noon	and Community lunch	

Collect for Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

O Almighty God,
whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector
to be an apostle and evangelist:
give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain and the possessive love of riches
that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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Usual hours The Benefice Office is staffed Wednesday 9-12 and 12.30-4 and Friday 9-1.30.

For enquiries outside these times contact the Vicar.

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Post Communion Prayer for Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings: Prov. 3.13-18; 2 Cor. 4.1-6; Matt. 9.9-13

Gospel: Matt. 9.9-13

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.
And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

Zoom Link for 8.30am Online Morning Prayer

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. All are very welcome. Use the Zoom link:
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79025895072?pwd=oylntUBXlIn6aJA7yo2WGeC0o1ly7K.1>
Meeting ID: 790 2589 5072

Please pray for

Leanne Holt and Joshua Williams,
who will be married at St John the Baptist church, Bere Regis on Saturday 20th September.
Also, **Francesca Ozanne and Scott Janes,**
who will be married on Tuesday 23rd September,
and **Jasmine Osborn and Adam Dance,**
who will be married on Saturday 27th September
at St Andrew's church, East Lulworth
and their families and friends.

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Harvest at Holy Rood Church

On **Sunday 28th September at 10.30am** there will be a Harvest Festival Service with the church being decorated as such. Please, if you are able to help or bring any items to help decorate the church it would be greatly appreciated... for example, flowers, fruit, vegetables and tinned goods... any tinned goods will go to the food bank in Wareham. **Saturday 27th September at 10am** is when the decoration begins so please come along if you can help in any way, or if you cannot make the service bring your donations then... otherwise bring tinned food to the service. Any fresh foods can be taken home the following day or after the service for a donation.

Thank you Sue Burroughs 01929 463803



Cream tea Gift Day

*The Granary
Briantspuddle*

**Saturday
20 September
2.30-4.30pm**

Tea, scones, cake, raffle

Music by the 'Piddlers'

In aid of St Laurence's Church, Affpuddle

Book signing!

New book by local author



The Granary, Briantspuddle

**Saturday, 20 September
2.30-4.30pm**

And enjoy a cream tea as well!



Illustrative purposes only

GUERRILLA GARDENERS—Poppy Cascade

The next Poppy Cascade sessions in
Holy Rood church will be on
Saturday 20th September
from 10am until 12 noon.



Quiet

Day

Hilfield
Friary
28th October
10am-4pm

“Surely I have quieted and stilled my soul,
like a weaned child with its mother.” Psalm 131.2

Email Eve at office@westpurbeck.org.uk
to book your place.

£10 for the day

Please bring a packed lunch



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SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

The work of the Church: Please pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. Also please pray for the Bible Society and Messy Church.

This Benefice: We pray for all those who are not able to join in with worship at this time. We pray for all those volunteering in their community with transport, prescriptions and shopping, also, the Bere Regis Surgery, the Wellbridge Surgery and all NHS staff. Also farms across all parts of the Benefice.

Pray for the residents of Turberville Court, Turberville Road and The Warren in Bere Regis; Britwell Drive and Burngate in West Lulworth; School Lane, High Street and Pigeon Close in Winfrith and East Knighton; Ross Crescent and St. Julian's Road in Bovington, Sandhills Crescent in East Burton, Primrose Lane in East Stoke.

Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers:

We pray for Peter Wharf; Catherine; Joe; Louisa Botterill; Brenda and David; Wendy Morrison; Hillie Montgomery; Mark; Eileen Rolls; Heather Edwards; Daisy Martin; Edward Gainsford; Pat House; David

We are pleased to pray for all those whom we are asked to pray for. In order to keep our prayer intentions up to date we will include names for one month. At the end of each month, if you would like either yourself or the person whom you have asked us to pray for to remain on the prayer list for a further month, please inform one of the clergy or the Benefice Office. If you are asking for prayer for someone else please remember to ask their permission for us to include them in The Link. Thank you for being a part of this important ministry of prayer.

We pray for the families and friends of those who have died in recent

days: Peter Hawkins; Leslie Newberry; Tony Bates; Sheila Meaden; Richard Best
Also the families and friends of those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.

Please pray for the friends and family of
Leslie Newberry,
whose burial service will take place at St Andrew's church, East Lulworth
on Tuesday, 23rd September

God of love,
turn our hearts to your ways;
and give us peace.

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Harvest Festival

~ WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU ~

**21
SEP**

11AM
ST CHRISTOPHER
WINFRITH
NEWBURGH
DT2 8HB

ALL HARVEST
GIFTS WILL BE
DISTRIBUTED TO
THOSE WHO NEED IT

**28
SEP**

9AM **SEA SUNDAY
HARVEST**
FISHERMEN'S
YARD, LULWORTH
COVE. BH20 5RQ

10.30AM
HOLY ROOD
CHURCH
WOOL
BH20 6DD

**5
OCT**

9AM
ST ANDREW'S
EAST
LULWORTH
BH20 5QS

6PM EVENSONG
ST JOHN
THE BAPTIST
BERE REGIS
BH20 7HQ

**12
OCT**

10AM **KIDS CRAFT**
+ 11AM **FAMILY
SERVICE**
ST JOHN'S, BERE
REGIS BH20 7HQ

6PM **SERVICE +
HARVEST AUCTION**
ST NICHOLAS'
CHALDON HERRING
DT2 8DN

**19
OCT**

11AM
ST LAURENCE'S
AFFPUDDLE
DT2 7HH



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THERE'S ALSO A PET SERVICE
YOU + YOUR PETS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND
11AM SUN 5TH OCT AT ST LAURENCE AFFPUDDLE DT2 7HH

Thursday Tea and Toast at St John the Baptist, Bere Regis
8am until 11am Thursdays.

All ages are welcome; there will be some toddler-age toys available. Dogs and their owners are very welcome (including doggie biscuits!). For more information, please contact Pat Wharf at patswiftwharf@outlook.com or on 01929 472246.

NEXT SUNDAY

SEA SUNDAY SERVICE



28TH SEPTEMBER, 9AM
FISHERMEN'S YARD, LULWORTH COVE

**GIVING THANKS FOR
THE HARVEST OF THE SEA**

ALL WELCOME



BREAKFAST CLUB

We meet at Holme for Gardens on the second Wednesday every month at 10am
(next meeting 8th October). **All welcome!**

Please telephone Mary to let her know if you are coming on 01929 556086.

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